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SUBJ: ASSASSINATION THREAT

REF: ANKARA 4342

1. DEPARTMENT APPRECIATES FULL REPORT REFTEL DESCRIBING THINKING OF TNSS. WE INCLINED TO SHARE YOUR ASSESSMENT THAT THIS NOT A PROFESSIONAL BSO OPERATION. IN THIS CONNECTION WE THINK IT UNLIKELY THERE WILL BE A TOLONI ACCOUNT AT THE NARODNIY BANK. WE WOULD LIKE BEIRUT TO ASK LEBANESE G-2, HOWEVER, TO CHECK THIS OUT AFTER JUNE 3 DEADLINE HAS PASSED.

2. OUR REASONING IS THAT WHETHER OR NOT THERE IS A TOLONI ACCOUNT THERE MAY BE AN ACCOMPLICE IN BANK WHO CAN REPORT TO OUTSIDERS WHETHER A CHECK MADE. OBVIOUSLY, WE HAVE TO SHOW OUR HAND AT SOME POINT BUT WE PREFER IT TO BE AFTER
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RATHER THAN BEFORE DEADLINE. AS LONG AS CONSPIRATOR OR
CONSPIRATORS CANNOT BE SURE WE HAVE RECEIVED MESSAGES THERE
IS CHANCE THAT THEY WILL BE LED TO REVEAL MORE OF THEMSELVES
IN ATTEMPT TO MAKE CONTACT. OF COURSE THERE ARE
DISADVANTAGES TO ALLOWING THIS PROCESS TO GO ON TOO LONG.
THEREFORE, WE RECOMMEND THAT APPROACH TO LEBANESE G-2 BE
MADE TUESDAY, JUNE 5. RUSH

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